

Job Opening
Deputy Animal Control Officer



The Town of Sidney is accepting applications & resumes for the position of Deputy Animal Control Officer. This is a per diem position. The Town offers a professional, community-oriented work environment, mileage, training, and equipment.

Animal Control Officer Certification will be required within 6 months of date of hire, if not already obtained. Experience preferred but not required.

Applications & resumes will be accepted in person or mailed to:

Town of Sidney

Attn: Administrative Assistant

2986 Middle Road

Sidney, ME 04330.

No phone calls please. The Town of Sidney is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Please see the Town of Sidney's website for applications.



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Nature of Work:

An Animal Control Officer's duties include capturing stray animals, investigating reports of cruelty to animals. Animal Control Officers may also work with local health departments, police and other law enforcement agencies on matters dealing with animals.

Duties:

Capture and remove stray, uncontrolled, or abused animals from undesirable conditions, using pole, bite gloves, cages provided by Humane Society and transport to Humane Society (Waterville Area).

Examine animal licenses and inspect establishments housing animals for compliance with laws.

Examine animals for injuries or malnutrition and arrange for any necessary medical treatment.

Investigate reports of animal attacks or animal cruelty, interview witnesses, collect evidence, and writing reports.

Issue warnings or citations in connection with animal-related offenses or contact police to report violations and request arrests.

Write reports of activities and maintain files of impoundments and dispositions of animals.

Answer inquiries from the public concerning animal control operations.

Contact animal owners to inform them that their pets are at animal holding facilities, if identified.

Educate the public about animal welfare, and animal control laws and regulations.

Prepare for prosecutions related to animal treatment, and give evidence in court.

Follow-up with residents on dog registrations, yearly. Issue summons as warranted.

Ability Requirement for: Animal Control Worker

Oral Expression - The ability to communicate information and ideas in speaking so others will understand.

Written Expression - The ability to communicate information and ideas in writing so others will understand.

Oral Comprehension - The ability to listen to and understand information and ideas presented through spoken words and sentences.

Speech Clarity - The ability to speak clearly so others can understand you.

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Written Comprehension - The ability to read and understand information and ideas presented in writing.

Inductive Reasoning - The ability to combine pieces of information to form general rules or conclusions (includes finding a relationship among seemingly unrelated events).

Deductive Reasoning - The ability to apply general rules to specific problems to produce answers that make sense.

Knowledge Requirements for: Animal Control Officer

Education and Training -- Knowledge of principles and methods for curriculum and training design, teaching and instruction for individuals and groups, and the measurement of training effects.

Additional Requirements: Possession of a valid Maine Class C Drivers License. Must successfully complete the Basic Animal Control Training within six months of employment.

Knowledge of:

Applicable State and local laws, regulations, and ordinances; the proper care and handling of animals; the physical and behavioral characteristics of animals; breed identification; the symptoms of rabies and other common animal diseases; and the various techniques of safe and humane destruction of animals, such as lethal injection, chloroform, and barbiturates

Ability to:

Explain applicable State and local laws, regulations, and ordinances; obtain cooperation and compliance from members of the public; analyze a situation and adopt a course of action; exercise tact and independent judgment in dealing with the public; speak to a wide range of people; prepare reports; present a positive public image; develop and maintain working relationships with co-workers, agencies and organizations; handle sick, injured, dangerous, or dead animals and decomposing animal carcasses in a safe and humane manner; make simple arithmetical calculations involving addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division; read, understand, and follow oral and written instructions; work independently.